

fect her general charm. President and Mrs. Roosevelt attended the opening night of this young lady's dancing in a play that is said to go the Black Crook about 100 per cent better in the matter of dancing. The young lady is a descendant in fact, to her mother, of the White House and danced for the President and Mrs. Roosevelt and their friends. The young lady wears plenty of clothes—is about the only one in the play who does—but there is nothing about her that is so attractive as her smile. She is all that is claimed for her. The President applauded her with all his energy at the theater, and was more than delighted with the little matinee at the White House.

The Cabinet until his term expires with the appointing power, but it will not be because he should not. His lameness is giving both himself and his countrymen an example of self-reliance and treatment, and he is obliged to be extremely careful.

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To say that a member is "sitting on the floor of the House," is not to be taken literally. It is a figure of speech meaning that a member is attending to his duties in the Hall of the House, but the other day Mr. J. Sloan Fassett (N. Y.), who is one of the richest men in the House, and one of the acknowledged orators, literally sat on the floor. He was so comfortable at the President's mansion with the Secretary

service business in came in and was  
being read in the House. Mr. Fasset  
wanted to hear every word, so started  
for a seat close down, but it was filled  
and he had to sit in the aisle. The  
seats in that vicinity, for interest wa  
tense and the House was crowded, s  
down he flopped, Turk fashion, on the  
floor of one of the aisles, and there he  
sat while the message was read. He  
sat a little while, yoked at him, but he  
sat the thing out.

Mr. Cannon has lost none of his old  
time vigor, and really seems to have  
uncorked a new bottle of it. Over in

Franklin and the other night in an address to the Pennsylvania Legislature, he went after some of his detractors in the following blistering fashion:

"I would bid Mr. Cannon, 'comes to the timid man temporarily invested with power, who wants to retain that power, and listen to the improper proposals of the wicked and dishonest, and protest founded on high resolves, crossed with splendid courage, and a desire to do right."

"I would bid that old story of one-man power and czarism. Franklin made a protest against the veto power of the executive being made absolute, and I would bid that old story."

"In the chapter of accidents, I became Speaker of the House. When the minority undertook to control the majority, they were met with a rebuff from the majority and a Speaker from the majority."

The Speaker would have been like a

President Roosevelt's term of office as Vice President was so brief that very few people remember him sitting in the chair, but he was a Vice President of the United States, just the same, and he was entitled to have his bust among the rest.

Just where it will place marble busts of Vice Presidents of the Senate will be left up to the Senate. It will be called upon to decide some time after the holidays. Sixteen years ago "continuing" busts of Vice Presidents were placed on the Library to have made busts of the Vice Presidents to be placed in the Senate chamber.

The particular niche or location of these busts is a matter left largely to the committee, although it is a serious matter. The busts will be confined to the Vice Presidents of the early days of the body. By the removal of the busts of the early Presidents, the deficiencies of an early presiding officer were made in the Senate chamber.

The artist who is making the marble effigy of Mr. Roosevelt—whose terms Vice President was brief—Is James Frazier, of New York, who was recommended by Saint-Gaudens. This effigy will be delivered on March 3. That of Mr. Fairbanks is being made by Franklin Simmons, an American sculptor, residing in Rome.

Washington is getting so full of Counts and Countesses that it is an every day matter to find some of them. The Countess (the name is unspellable, but "she" is a Russian) was housekeeper for a silvermith of the city, and spoiled all his heavy work, which she had loaned to "uncle" for \$3.00, and so got found out.

The Duchess de Chaulieu is shown visiting her young child, who she will nurse herself. She is a very beautiful lady, who will probably be remembered to her country as the properest and most capable mother to turn her children into country gentlemen. It is also quite the proper caper in which country women of wealth in this country carry many of their children, and balls that they devote to their children.

**Isabel's Visit.**

Congress has wished to the fact that the Duchess de Chaulieu is now going to have all her children in the country, and that it is important to be remembered to her country as the properest and most capable mother to turn her children into country gentlemen. It is also quite the proper caper in which country women of wealth in this country carry many of their children, and balls that they devote to their children.

The birch of Lincoln. Yes, sir, and the Congress is going to celebrate—perhaps it isn't quite settled yet—but I think the celebration will be in the Spring something will be done to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. The house on the hill, so that future Congresses might all there, their souls un-earmarked by the State of Illinois, would be a beautiful thing, and part of it reads like this:

"Resolved, That Feb. 22, 1893, be observed as a day of fasting and prayer for a joint session of the two Houses of Congress to be assembled to pay tribute to Abraham Lincoln, the great American statesman, and to deliver appropriate address upon the life, character, genius, patriotism and public service of our illustrious President; and that the ship of state thru its greatest peril, and to otherwise commence anew in fitting manner his invaluable services to his country."

Resolved, further, That we recommend that the American people at large, the States, Territories, Colonies, and the District of Columbia,

all municipalities and towns, all organized bodies of citizens, churches, fraternal associations, civil, military, patriotic, fraternal, scientific and social labor and trade societies, Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade and other civic, commercial and industrial bodies and all others, be and they are hereby invited to join in the funeral of Abraham Lincoln to do reverent honor to his memory.

"Resolved, further, That we recommend that at all places where people gather that the following address be made in eulogy of Lincoln, that the emancipation proclamation be read, his Gettysburg speech repeated, and that wherever possible a short history of his life, his Gettysburg address, and suitable remarks be made.

"Resolved, further, That inasmuch as his triumph over the adverse circumstances of early years should be an incentive to the youth of the land, we recommended that on this day special and appropriate exercises be held in colleges, universities, academies and

# CONGRESS.

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## Report of Proceedings From Day to Day.

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### Senate.

Monday, Dec. 14.—The President sent in a special message, including additional evidence gathered in the Brownsville affair.

Senator Foraker spoke on this case in support of an amendment he offered to his bill, and in criticism of the conclusions reached in the special message and report.

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### House.

A joint resolution presented by Representative Payne, of New York, providing for the adjournment of Congress from Saturday, Dec. 19, to Monday, Jan. 4, was agreed to.

The consideration of District of Columbia business occupied nearly the whole session yesterday.

The Speaker's ruling on the vote breaking the tie on the bill to protect all the considerations of the House.

The House adjourned at 5 p. m.

**Senate.**

Dec. 15.—Senate convened at noon. President's special message relating to the purchase of the Panama Canal proposed to read before a large attendance of Senators.

Senator Gallinger presented a memorial from former Senator Blair urging that suffrage be granted citizens of the District.

Resolution advocating the suppression of usury in the District also submitted by Senator Gallinger.

Senator Foraker introduced a resolution calling on the Secretary of War to explain the employment of detectives to probe Brownsville case.

Consideration of the Postal Savings

Bank Bill was begun, and Senator Carter, of Montana, made the opening speech.

Sentiment prevails that Senate District Committee will reduce price of gas to 75 cents.

Joint resolution fixing the Holiday recess from Dec. 19 to Jan. 4 agreed upon by the Senate.

Senate adjourned at 3:30 o'clock.

**House.**

House convened at noon.

Insurgents' resolution appealing from House rules tabled after heated discussion.

Consideration of District affairs taken

Bill to change name of part of V street to California Avenue passed.  
Bill amending act to provide for extension of New Hampshire Avenue passed.  
Bill to regulate condemnation proceedings in District passed.  
Adjournment taken at 5 o'clock.

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Senate.

Dec. 15.—After sharp debate a resolution was adopted providing for an investigation of the charges of the

President concerning the reasons for the action of Congress in placing restrictions upon the work of the Secret Service.

Senator Foraker's resolution calling upon the Secretary of War for information concerning the work of detectives in the Brownsville case was agreed to. Senator Lodge spoke in support of the Warner bill, permitting the President to re-enlist the discharged soldiers of the 26th Inf. at his discretion.

**House.**

Consideration of the bill to revise the penal law of the United States occupied practically the entire session yesterday.

The amendment hitting at stock gambling was defeated.  
The House adjourned at 4:57 p. m.

**Senate.**

Dec. 17.—Mr. Burkett spoke on the Postal Savings Bank bill.  
The message from the President recommending a change in the form of government for the District was read in both houses.  
Senator Newlands attempted to have the bill creating an inland waterways commission made the unfinished business for January 26, but without considering his motion, an executive ses-

**House.**

By unanimous vote, the House adopted the resolutions of the special committee appointed to consider the President's charges in connection with Congressmen and the Secret Service.

A resolution was adopted congratulating the new Turkish parliament.

The final report of the joint congressional postal commission was submitted.

The remainder of the day was spent on private pension bills, 412 being passed.

Dec. 18.—The Senate was not in session. It met at noon today for routine business only.

**House.**

Most of the session was given over to discussion of war claims, 15 of which were passed, including one to pay \$215,000 to the Citizens' Bank of New Orleans.

The resignation of Representative Brumm, of the 12th Pennsylvania District, was received, to take effect Jan. 1, 1909.

Representatives Burke of Pennsylvania, Young of Michigan, and Gaines of

Penrose, were appointed the House members of the congressional committee on the inauguration.

Dec. 19.—Both Houses adjourned to meet Jan. 4, 1909.

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### VETERANS IN THE CITY.

Patrick Neary, 53d Ill., Buffalo, N. Y. Comrade Neary is a farmer and he has no hesitation in saying that the 53d Ill. has the best regiment in the service, and all the others were good.

N. M. Greene, 9th Mich. Cav., Hadley, Mich. Comrade Greene is on his way

drug business in Norfolk, Va., and will probably stay with them some time and then go on to visit his sister at Americus, Ga. He contemplates spending the winter in visiting the South, and especially in visiting the home of his mother, Mrs. Kilpatrick's Division. He has been fairly fought. The end of the war found him at Chapel Hill, near Raleigh, N. C., and he remembers pleasantly 1919 days that he spent as guard for the property of a Union man near that place. He still speaks of the Union man as still living. His services ended by his being in charge of a squad sent to Polk County to preserve order and

H. L. Karns, 6th U. S. Cav., Altoona, Pa., Comrade Karns, who is on a visit of recreation, had the good fortune of finding here Maj. L. A. Abbott, who was his Lieutenant in the 6th U. S. Cav. when Lieut.-Gen. Chaffee was his Captain.

Henry Weitzel, 5th Ohio, Toledo, O. Comrade Weitzel has been a resident of Toledo nearly all the time since the war, and has engaged in various branches of business. He is now a wholesaler in liquors and cigars, and

**Picket Post Duty.**

Col. James Patchell, Union City, Ind., writes that his Post, Sedgewick, 38, has been following the Commander-in-Chief's suggestions with very good results. The Post appointed a guard, the duty of which was to look out for the veterans of the County and get them into social and fraternal relations with one another. Picket posts have been sent out to the residences of different comrades, and the other veterans were invited to be present and have a social Reunion.

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